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SUBJECT: MUJAHEDIN CROSS BORDER COW RAID INTO THE
SOVIET UNION INVITES COSTLY RETALIATION

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2. SUMMARY: FAILING TO ACHIEVE THEIR OBJECTIVE OF
ATTACKING SOVIET POSTS INSIDE TAJIKISTAN, TWELVE MUJA-
HEDIN FROM TAKHAR PROVINCE INSTEAD STOLE 150 COWS AND
<> BROUGHT THEM TO <><>AFGHANISTAN<><>. IN RETALIATION, SOVIETS
KILLED FOUR OF THE TWELVE AND BOMBARDED NEARBY TAKHAR
VILLAGES, INFLECTING EVEN HIGHER CASUALTIES. END
SUMMARY.

3. ONE EVENING IN EARLY APRIL, TWELVE MUJAHEDIN LED
BY

CROSSED THE AMU DARYA ON INFLATED GOATSKINS

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(MASHQ'S) TO ATTACK SOVIET POSTS INSIDE TAJIKISTAN
NEAR THE HISTORICAL FORT OF AIYAH KHANOM.

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THE
MUJAHEDIN REALIZED THEY WERE GROSSLY OUTNUMBERED AND
OUTGUNNED AND DECIDED ON A CATTLE RAID INSTEAD. THEY
TOOK APPROXIMATELY 150 COWS. AS THEY WERE CROSSING
THE RIVER AT DAWN, SOVIET PLANES BOMBED THEM IN THE
WATER, KILLING FOUR. LATER PLANES BOMBARDED THREE
SMALL NEARBY VILLAGES IN KHOJA GHAR WOLUSWALI --
JAWKADU, QURUQ, AND JELUM -- KILLING 12 AND WOUNDING
24 OR 25. MOST OF THE COWS ARRIVED SAFELY INSIDE

<> <><>AFGHANISTAN<><>.

4. ASKED WHY THE MUJAHEDIN SHOULD LAUNCH AN ATTACK
INSIDE THE SOVIET UNION INVITING SUCH MASSIVE RETALIATION,
REPLIED THAT THE MUJAHEDIN OF TAKHAR HAD GROWN
TIRED OF THE ATTACKS AND SEARCHES OF THEIR VILLAGES. THEY
WANTED TO SHOW THE RUSSIANS THAT THEY WERE ABLE TO LAUNCH
GUERRILLA ACTIONS INSIDE RUSSIA. THIS WAS THE

FIRST ATTACK INSIDE THE SOVIET UNION FROM KHOJA GHAR,
ALTHOUGH JAMIAT MUJAHEDIN HAVE CORSED THE AMU DARYA ON
SEVERAL OCCASIONS TO DISTRIBUTE QURANS AND JAMIAT
MEMBERSHIP CARDS TO FELLOW UZBEKS ON THE OTHER SIDE OF
THE RIVER.

5. COMMENT: SIXTEEN LIVES AND TWO DOZEN WOUNDED IS A
HIGH PRICE TO PAY FOR 150 COWS, EVEN IF THE MUJAHEDIN
WERE ABLE TO PROVE THEIR POINT. WE HAVE NO OTHER CON-
FIRMATION OF THIS ATTACK INSIDE THE SOVIET UNION.

6. MINIMIZES CONSIDERED.

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